

VILLAGE OF LEROY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of Regular Meeting held on

August 10, 2022

Village Hall, 3 West Main St., Le Roy, NY

PRESENT: Mayor Gregory Rogers
Trustee Richard Tetrault
Trustee Raymond Yacuzzo
Trustee William Kettle
Trustee James Bonacquisti
Chief of Police Greg Kellogg
Clerk-Treasurer Eileen Carmel
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Katie Eick

Absent: WWTF Superintendent Steven Carroll
DPW Supervisor Robert Lathan

Others Present: Lynne Belluscio, Nancy Crocker

Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm, followed by the Pledge to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A **motion** was made by Trustee Bonacquisti **to approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting on July 20, 2022**. It was seconded by Trustee Yacuzzo and passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Federal Rescue Plan Act Payment Advisory: The Village is set to receive the remaining half of its Federal Rescue Plan Act Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, \$218,460.87. Clerk-Treasurer Carmel stated the Village has not yet received it.

Mayor Rogers gave an update on the Spray Park. At the moment, it's in the hands of Monroe County Water Authority. We can't move forward until we get an okay from them.

DEPARTMENT CONSIDERATIONS:

LPD:

- Chief Kellogg said the LPD is running into staffing complications. Officer Stawicki has given notice that she's looking elsewhere for a full-time job. And Officer Ancker is in the process of securing a full-time position with Ogden PD. Chief is looking for one more officer to backfill.

WWTF:

- Mayor Rogers has been in contact with Superintendent Carroll, who stated they are pouring concrete for the project now.

DPW:

- Mayor Rogers has been in contact with Supervisor Lathan, who met with CPL engineers, Villager Construction, and school representatives regarding the sidewalk in front of the school. The Mayor said it's already flaking and they want to seal it, which should last for 3 years.
- Trustee Bonacquisti mentioned he noticed standing water on the west side of the Main Street Bridge. Mayor Rogers stated they tried to fix it last year but maybe it didn't last. He'd check into it.

- Trustee Kettle asked about the Main St. and Mill St. sidewalk project that they previously approved to go ahead. The Mayor asked Clerk-Treasurer Carmel to look into a Request for Proposals.
- Trustee Yacuzzo asked about the spalling of the concrete in front of the library. Mayor Rogers said he was told the reason for it was the amount of salt put on during the winter.
- Trustee Kettle mentioned the sidewalk on Mill St. by his apartments is cracked in a semi-circle.
- Trustee Tetrault thought it [the Main St. and Mill St. sidewalk project] was supposed to include 40' of road on Mill St. to be replaced. The rest of the Board stated that wasn't the case, it was only supposed to milled and blacktopped.

Clerk:

- The Clerk's Office was contacted by Christine Seaver who has the Crave'n Curbside food truck at the Farmers Market this Summer. She's asking to park her food truck on Village property into the Fall, possibly during the Spring. The Mayor stated he's received complaints recently from a business owner that the Village doesn't do enough to promote established businesses in LeRoy. The Mayor felt some local business owners might view a food truck that moves around and isn't paying Village taxes would hurt their business. However, during special events such as Oatka Fest and Winter Fest, that would be okay. He also suggested she could contact Dunkin' Donuts to see if they'd be willing to rent her space.

OLD BUSINESS:

LeRoy Streetlight Conversion to LED: The Board made a resolution previously to authorize converting Village streetlights to LED and National Grid is asking for selections to go ahead with the project. It was clarified that this is replacement of only the light heads and doesn't include the poles. In the end, the Board chose the "Carriage" design for the decorative lights on Bradnell Ave. and Wilson St. and to replace the standard Roadway lights "as is," regarding corresponding wattages and the project should start with Main Street.

[Trustee Kettle excused himself from the meeting at this point.]

Item moved from New Business: NYS Grant: Mayor Rogers stated that the LeRoy F.R.E.S.H. Committee has requested that the Village write a Letter of Intent for the new grant offered by New York State - NY Forward. The Letter of Intent and map have been submitted to the state. It was agreed that the Village will not pay the cost of the grant administration fee for this. The property owners who get the grant money should pay the admin fee.

[Trustee Kettle returned to the meeting at this point.]

WWTF Project: A **motion** was made by Trustee Yacuzzo for a **Resolution to Authorize Pay App. #14 to Wind-Sun Construction for \$161,802.81**. It was seconded by Trustee Kettle, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, and Mayor Rogers – Aye.

NEW BUSINESS:

Village of LeRoy Historian Position: Members of the Board agreed that Lynne Belluscio has continued to be the Village's Historian, no matter that she has retired from the LeRoy Historical Society. Trustee Yacuzzo made a **motion for a Resolution that Lynne Belluscio is and continues to be the Village of LeRoy Historian**. It was seconded by Trustee Bonacquisti, and passed with voting as follows: Trustee

Tetrault – Aye, Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye, Trustee Kettle – Aye, Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye, and Mayor Rogers – Aye.

Accounting Services with Laura Landers, CPA: Mayor Rogers said he was very happy to hear that Laura Landers, despite retiring, has decided to provide accounting services to a few clients.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ACCOUNTING SERVICES WITH
LAURA LANDERS, CPA**

MOTION BY Trustee Yacuzzo

WHEREAS, the Village of LeRoy contracted Starowitz & Hofrichter CPA’s LLP to provide internal accounting services for the Village, and

WHEREAS, the Village received notification that Starowitz & Hofrichter will no longer be providing these services, and

WHEREAS, information has been received from Laura Landers, CPA that she is able to provide the internal accounting services for the Village, and

WHEREAS, said fees for these services will be \$150 per hour and \$2,100 to prepare the Village’s annual update document (AUD), NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees hereby approves Laura Landers, CPA to provide accounting services beginning August 10, 2022 and will be ongoing, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Board of Trustee hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign an Engagement Letter with Laura Landers, CPA for said services.

SECONDED BY Trustee Kettle

Passed with voting as follows:

Trustee Tetrault – Aye

Trustee Yacuzzo – Aye

Trustee Kettle – Aye

Trustee Bonacquisti – Aye

Mayor Rogers – Aye

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Realtor Nancy Crocker announced that Genesee County Chiropractic would soon be in business in the Village.

OFFICIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Trustee Bonacquisti: None.

Trustee Kettle: None.

Trustee Tetrault: He had a question for the Village Historian, Lynne Belluscio – What are the carved pictures on the front of the Post Office? Lynne said one is of the Pony Express, but she couldn't remember what the others depicted and she'd have to look.

He also asked why there were no kids at the tennis courts on Summit Street? Mayor Rogers said he's talked to Town Supervisor Farnholtz and he's said it's a matter of staffing.

Trustee Yacuzzo: None.

Mayor Rogers: He asked that Chief Kellogg do a letter of commendation for Officer Stawicki.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS:

A motion to pay bills retroactive to 7/28/22 was offered by Trustee Bonacquisti and seconded by Trustee Yacuzzo and passed unanimously. Payment is as follows:

General Fund – Auto pays and check numbers 24364, 24365, 25274 - 25310, totaling \$74,206.96

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the Board, **a motion was offered** by Trustee Tetrault **to adjourn**, seconded by Trustee Bonacquisti and passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen Carmel, Clerk-Treasurer